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In re Application of :
Y. Tanaka et al. :
Application No. 09/130,818 :
Filed: August 7, 1998 :
Attorney Docket No. 81788.0163 :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed July 14, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner in reply to the final Office action mailed July 26, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months from the mail date of the Notice. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on October 27, 2002.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2186 for processing the Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114 filed with the instant petition.

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